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**REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION**

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

Please reconsider the rejection of the pending claims in the above-identified  
U.S. patent application based on the following:

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 2 of this paper.